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PROVIDING FOR THE ADMINISTRATION OF THE CENTRAL INTELLIGENCE AGENCY, ESTABLISHED PURSUANT TO SECTION 102, NATIONAL SECURITY ACT OF 1947

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Mr. SALTONSTALL, from the Committee on Armed Services, submitted the following

REPORT

[To accompany S. 2688]

The Committee on Armed Services, having had under consideration the Central Intelligence Agency Act of 1948, report the following bill (S. 2688) to provide for the administration of the Central Intelligence Agency, established pursuant to section 102, National Security Act of 1947, and for other purposes, and recommend that it do pass.

PURPOSE OF THE BILL

The purpose of the bill is to grant to the Central Intelligence Agency the authorities necessary for its proper administration. The bill deals with procurement, travel, allowances and related expenses, general authorities, and methods of expenditures of appropriated funds. Further, it protects the confidential nature of the Agency's functions and makes provisions for the internal administration of the Agency. In almost all instances, the powers and authorities contained in the bill already exist for some other branch of the Government, and the bill merely extends similar authorities to the Central Intelligence Agency.

COMMITTEE CONSIDERATION

Hearings on the matter were conducted in executive session because the confidential nature of the Agency's functions were deemed to be such as to require the discussions to be so held. The committee carefully considered all sections of the bill, and, after such consideration, is satisfied that all provisions of the proposal are justified and necessary to the efficient operation of the intelligence service of the United States.